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### MATSUI ANNOUNCES \$3.5 MILLION IN FLOOD PROTECTION FUNDING FOR SOUTH SACRAMENTO

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Robert T. Matsui (D-Sacramento) announced today South Sacramento will receive \$3.5 million to continue the construction and development of flood control projects for Morrison, Unionhouse, Florin and Elder Creeks. Matsui also praised Sacramento City Councilmember Bonnie Pannell for her work on the projects.

“The residents and businesses of South Sacramento face unique challenges with regards to flood control,” Matsui said. “This funding will help address those challenges and ensure South Sacramento continues to receive the flood protection it needs.

“I would like to thank Councilmember Pannell for her efforts on behalf of the residents of South Sacramento,” Matsui added.

“These funds will help my community take another step towards flood control protection,” City Councilmember Bonnie Pannell said. “We have come a long way since the 1995, but we still have a ways to go. I’m confident under the leadership of Congressman Matsui, South Sacramento will receive the necessary federal funding to protect our homes, our families and our community.”

Over 100,000 people and 41,000 homes and businesses in South Sacramento are at risk of flooding due to inadequate flood control systems on creeks and streams in the area. In 1995, homes in the area were threatened by rain-swollen creeks, which reached to within a foot of overtopping the levees.

The funding will be included in the FY 2004 Energy and Water Appropriations conference report, which the House of Representatives approved today by a vote of 387-36. The bill must now pass the Senate, and then be signed by the President.

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